

The Official Forecaster.

The forecast must sit down
And figures pro and con;
He's sure of Arkansas
And Main and Oregon;
Ohio and New York
He takes with grace and ease;
He entries Illinois
As easily as you please;
New Jersey, Maryland,
Wisconsin, Delaware,
He gathers in his list
And never turns a hair!
He studies, then, a bit,
Subtracts and multiplies.
And, weary, finally
He shuts his tired eyes
And gives the other side
A small state here and there—
Not that its vote's in doubt,
But mealy to be fair.

—Chicago Times-Herald.

A communication from W. I. Carrington, State Superintendent of Schools, on the substitution of a debt for a school fund that was once held in the form of government bonds, state bonds, or cash assets, is printed elsewhere. Mr. Carrington misses the main point, which is that in Missouri alone the school assets have all been converted into cash, the cash used for general revenue and certificates of debt issued on which the interest is paid entirely from current taxation. This is practically the substitution of a direct school tax for the former income from an investment. All the states to which Mr. Carrington refers have their school fund, endowment and benefactions so invested that the payment of interest does not fall upon taxpayers, as is the case in Missouri. The constitutional provisions he refers to in various states have no application for the constitution of Missouri, gives no warrant for the school certificates of indebtedness. Nor are the certificates equivalent to state bonds for bonds have a constitutional and recognized cash value. None of "the best states," nor any state except Missouri, has spent its school fund for general revenue and placed the burden upon taxpayers. It is lamentable that the State Superintendent, like State Auditor and Governor, fails to give the facts accurately or to present any justification for turning the school fund into cash and spending it for other than school purposes.—G. D.

Lincoln and the Democracy, Philadelphia Press.

Mr. Wm. J. Bryan may go on brazenly quoting Abraham Lincoln, but his leading newspaper supporter, the New York Journal, shows by admitting, and Mr. Ambrose Bierce, a literary supporter of note and distinction, shows by writing, the article we reprint on page 9, that there are those whose sense of decency, decorum and the fitness of things, has not been stifled by Bryanism.

From the day he was first coupled with the presidency, prior to his nomination, to the hour in which he was assassinated, Abraham Lincoln was the target of democratic abuse. All that has been said of President McKinley was said of President Lincoln. The Indianapolis Sentinel denounces his "imperialism," and the democratic national convention declared that he was subverting the constitution. Lincoln was called "weak," "vacillating" and the tool of abler men. The honesty of his personal opinions was decried. He and his "military satraps" were daily abused. He was charged with wading through blood to power, as the president is to-day, and attacked for "millism." He was aspersed as the ally of bankers, millionaires and army contractors and charged with condoning army scandals. He was called a "boor," attacked as "illiterate," "indecent" and trivial in his daily walk and conversation. His patriotism and his intellect, his sincerity and his acumen, were all the subject of daily slander, and in August, 1864, Lincoln wrote in weariness of soul, that the democratic presidential candidate would probably be elected in November.

This flood of abuse, asperion and slander, came from democrats with some aid from men like Mr. Carl Schurz. For democrats and the democratic candidate to go up and down the land quoting Lincoln, is nauseating, and we are glad that one democratic paper and one of its democratic contributors see this.

As for the prediction of Mr. Ambrose Bierce, that democrats forty years hence will be quoting Wm. McKinley as they now quote Lincoln, we do not doubt it. The democratic party is always camping in the republican graveyard trying to exhume our dead issues for current use and daubing their

campaign posters and placards on the venerated tombs of our dead heroes.

In 1866 a state tobacco warehouse belonging to Missouri was sold for \$132,000. A Republican administration put the money into government bonds and added them to the school fund. Several years later a Democratic administration sold the bonds, spent the cash, and placed in the state treasury a certificate of indebtedness for the \$132,000 at 5 per cent, payable annually from taxation. Missouri taxpayers ever since have been paying \$6600 a year on a warehouse they sold for \$132,000. If they had another warehouse they would give it away and save \$6600 a year perpetually.

DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?

Kidney Trouble Makes You Miserable.

Almost everybody who reads the newspapers is sure to know of the wonderful cure made by Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy.

It is the great medical triumph of the nineteenth century, discovered after years of scientific research by Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is wonderfully successful in promptly curing lame back, kidney, bladder, uric acid troubles and Bright's Disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble.

Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is not recommended for everything but if you have kidney, liver or bladder trouble it will be found just the remedy you need. It has been tested in so many ways, in hospital work, in private practice, among the helpless too poor to purchase relief and has proved so successful in every case that a special arrangement has been made by which all readers of this paper who have not already tried it, may have a sample bottle sent free by mail, also a book telling more about Swamp-Root and how to find it if you have kidney or bladder trouble. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper and send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The regular fifty cent and dollar sizes are sold by all good druggists.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY.

For the benefit of our readers we append a list of the business firms of Montgomery City. They will find them all good, reliable firms. We insist on our readers giving them a call. If you once trade at Montgomery City we are satisfied you will always trade there.

SKY GOODS AND CLOTHING.

St. Louis Store, L. C. Gove,

Hass Brothers, C. J. Locke.

SHOES, W. Duey.

GROCERIES, Faulconer Sheets & Co.

W. H. Hammack,

Milton Jones,

E. M. Turner,

A. Ferguson,

N. Detoul,

A. Hubbard.

RESTAURANTS AND CONFECTIONERIES,

Tuttle & Jagers,

D. Heebner,

George Thomas,

E. Whiston,

Gertrude Ingelman,

HOTELS, Wabash Hotel,

Montgomery Hotel,

Carruthers House.

MEATS, L. A. Kirk,

Ivy Lotion.

DRUGS, Dr. Cason,

Burton & Crump,

Muns & Adams

JEWELRY, A. Vogt.

FLOUR AND FEDD.

Algermissen & Schafer,

George Johnson,

James Cunningham,

T. Worland.

LIVERY, McCall & Holder,

Wilson & Holcomb,

Bresford Brothers.

COAL, A. Charles,

HARDWARE AND FURNITURE, R. G. White & Co.,

F. Sabourin.

RACKET STORES, A. McKelvey,

Black Flag.

BANKS, Montgomery County Bank,

Union Savings Bank.

BARBERS, Reed & Hoving,

James Alvey,

George Thomas,

Smith.

IMPLEMENT, J. T. Nunnelly,

BLACKSMITHS, Wm. Reynolds,

Chas. Johnson,

Wm. Hill,

Sailor & Son.

Feelings of safety pervade the house hold that uses One Minute Cough Cure, the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. It is invaluable for coughs, colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. It will prevent consumption. City Drug Store.

It is well to know that DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve will heal a burn and stop the pain at once. It will cure eczema and skin diseases and ingrown hairs. It has certain curative properties. Counterfeits may be offered you. See that you get the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. City Drug Store.

Do not get scared if your heart troubles you. Most likely you suffer from Indigestion. Kidney Dyspepsia Cure digests whatever you eat, gives the worn out stomach perked rest. It is the only preparation known that completely digests all kinds of foods; that is why it cures the worst cases of indigestion and stomach trouble after everything else has failed. It may be taken in all conditions and cannot help but do you good. City Drug Store.

Your blood goes through your body with jumps and bounds, carrying warmth and active life in every part of your body. If you take Rocky Mountain Tea.

Ask your Druggist.

Dr. W. H. Lewis, Lawrenceville, Va., writes: "I am using Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in my practice among severe cases of indigestion and find it an admirable remedy. Many hundreds of physicians depend upon the use of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in stomach troubles. It digests what you eat, and allows you to eat all the good food you need, preventing you from overeating your stomach. Gives instant relief and a permanent cure. City Drug Store."

You little knew when first we met That some day you would be The lucky fellow I'd choose to let, Pay for my Rocky Mountain Tea. Ask your Druggist.

Wabash Low Rates.

Sept. 4th & 18th Oct 2nd and 16th tickets will be sold to points in many states and territories at one fare plus two dollars for the round trip good for return 20 days from date of sale stopovers allowed going.

C. H. Carnahan, Agent.

It brings to the little one the priceless gift of healthy flesh, solid bone and muscle. That's what Rocky Mountain Tea does. Ask your Druggist.

CIRCUIT COURT.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, Montgomery City—First Monday in May and Second Monday in November.

Danville—Fourth Monday in April and First Monday in November.

PROBATE COURT.

Montgomery City—Third Monday in Jan., April, July and Oct.

Danville—First Monday in March, June, Sept. and Dec.

COUNTY COURT.

Montgomery City—First Monday in March, June, Sept., and December.

Danville—First Monday in Feb., May, August and Nov.

The best method of cleansing the liver is the use of the famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Easy Risers. Easy to take. Never gripes. City Drug Store.

Torturing skin eruptions, burns and sores are soothed at once and promptly healed by applying DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the best known cure for piles. Beware of worthless counterfeits. City Drug Store.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electro Bitters she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. It is godsend to weak, sickly, run-down people. Cure guaranteed. Only 50c. Sold by City Drug Store.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Has world-wide fame for marvelous cures. It surpasses any other salve, lotion, ointment or balm for cuts, corns, burns, boils, sores, felonies, ulcers, tetters, salt rheum, fever sores, chapped hands, skin eruptions, infallible for piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c. at City Drug Store.

ESTABLISHED 1873

LA CROSSE LUMBER CO.

GOOD GRADES. LOW PRICES.

LARGE STOCKS. FAIR TREATMENT.

A Mississippi Verdict.

The following verdict was rendered by a coroner's jury in Mississippi. "We, the jury, find that deceased came to his death by a stroke of an east bound train, No. 204, on L. C. R. R., at Festress, Miss., in Choctaw Co., on the 27th day of November, 1898, being in a reasonable state of intoxication."

A good 3-room house and lot (2 1/2 A.), 2 cisterns of fine water, good stable for 8 horses, cow shed, good large chicken house, quarter of an acre in strawberries, and other small fruits. This place is situated only 5 blocks from the business part of Montgomery City and it taken soon, can be bought at a very low figure.

Call on or address, D. W. Mason,

Montgomery City, Mo.

Watson Has Become a Farmer.

Thomas E. Watson, the Populist candidate for vice-president in 1896, whose profession is the law and who attained considerable success as an author with his history of France, has added a fourth occupation to the foregoing by buying a acre farm in Georgia with the intention of conducting it as a business investment.

Bear Creek Township teachers met at Bellflower Saturday and organized a Teacher's Library Union, and arranged for a reading circle by which many books will be systematically read and studied as recommended by State Supt. Carrington. The next meeting will be held at Bellflower 20 inst. 8 p.m. "Alterego," come over, and if you can find another teacher in Prairie township awake bring him along. But don't expect to wake Gammar up by an Institute—the sleepiest and chooses darkness rather than light. Announce a shooting match and shell wake—Chips.

If you have not tried it, send for free sample. Its agreeable taste will surprise you.

SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists.

242 Pearl Street, New York, N. Y., and 2425 2d Avenue, all druggists.

Admitted to the Bar.

Albert (Pat) Lafferty, who has been a student in the Law Department of the State University the past two years took his examination for admittance to the bar in the Federal Court at St. Louis last week before Judge Adams and passed a fine examination, so says the Columbia, Mo., Herald. This examination will now admit Mr. Lafferty to practice in all the courts of the United States. The Times is glad to hear of Pat's success and we hope he will come to Montgomery City to practice for the practice of his profession. Mr. Lafferty is a brother of attorney A. W. Lafferty of Missouri and a son of A. V. Lafferty of Michigan.

Blood.

We live by our blood, and on it. We thrive or starve, as our blood is rich or poor.

There is nothing else to live on or by.

When strength is full and spirits high, we are being refreshed, bone muscle and brain, in body and mind, with continual flow of rich blood.

This is health.

When weak, in low spirits, no cheer, no spring, when rest is not rest and sleep is not sleep, we are starved; our blood is poor; there is little nutriment in it.

Back of the blood, is food, to keep the blood rich. When it fails, take Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil. It sets the whole body going again—man woman and child.

If you have not tried it, send for free sample.

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KNOX District.

WABASH TIME TABLE.

WEST BOUND.

PASS. ASSEM. FREIGHT.

St. Louis 7:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m.

Jonesburg 10:15 a.m. 7:45 p.m. 10:30 a.m.

High Hill 10:30 a.m. 7:45 p.m. 11:30 a.m.

New Florence 10:35 a.m. 8:00 p.m. 11:35 a.m.

Montgomery 10:45 a.m. 8: